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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 October 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-27 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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DETAILED ACTION

1. The request filed on October 30, 2007 for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 based on patent application 10/699,834 is acceptable and an RCE has been established. All independent claims namely claims **1, 12 and 24** are amended. Claims **1-27** are pending/examined.

Priority

2. This application claims priority of a provisional application, application No. 60/502,660 filed on September 15, 2003. Therefore, the effective filing data for the subject matter defined in the pending claims of this application is **09/15/2003**.

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's remark/arguments filed on October 30, 2007 have been fully considered but are moot in view of the new ground/s of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. **Claims 1-27** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over an article published on IEEE, on 2000 with the title "Global broadcast service (GBS) end-to-end services; protocols and encapsulation", written by Michael DiFrancisco (Hereinafter referred as **Francisco**) in view of Watson et al (hereinafter referred as **Watson**) (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0121047 A1) (filed on December 20, 2001) further in view of Gross (Hereinafter referred as **Gross**) (U.S. Publication No. 2002/0009060 A1)

Examiner has pointed out particular references contained in the prior arts of record in the body of this action for the convenience of the applicant. Although the specified citations are representative of the teachings in the art and are applied to the specific limitations within the individual claim, other passages and figures may apply as well. Applicant should consider the entire prior art as applicable as to the limitations of the claims. It is respectfully requested from the applicant, in preparing the response, to consider fully the entire references as potentially teaching all or part of the claimed invention, as well as the context of the passage as taught by the prior arts or disclosed by the examiner

6. **As per independent claims 1, 12 and 24 Francisco discloses** a method of cloaking an encrypted serial data stream, [See page 705, 2.1.2, "Serial stream service"] *(on page 705, paragraph 2.1.2, the transmission of serial data stream encrypted with a standard Type I serial encryptor, has been disclosed.)* comprising:

- **Encapsulating a serial data stream of encrypted data into IP packets** [See page 705, see paragraph 2.1.2, "Serial stream service" and on page 707, see paragraph 3.0, "transmit suite data protocols and encapsulation"] *(On page 705, paragraph 2.1.2, the transmission of serial data stream **encrypted with a standard Type I serial encryptor before or prior to entering the GBS system** has been disclosed., And after entering the GBS, as it has been disclosed on page 709, paragraph 5.0, the GBS system offers a variety of information services. To integrate these different services into a common data format suitable for broadcasting a series of **encapsulation process is applied**. And on page 707 and paragraph 3.0, it has been disclosed that the unclassified store and forward*

*and streaming IP services, available via IP network connections **are encapsulated in TCP/IP** and MPE prior to the MPEG2/DVB encapsulation.]*

• **Transmitting said IP packets of encrypted serial data on a public IP network** [See, page 704, "figure 1, Network Streaming services, "Internet service" and see also on page 706, paragraph 2.3 and on paragraph 2.31, see, the last paragraph] *(For instance on page 706, paragraph 2.3, it has been disclosed that GBS provides classified and unclassified streaming IP services. The COP and IP multicast Services provide the ability to stream certain source data through an **IP Network** to the GBS system and then to GBS end Users. **The internet/Public IP network service/ AKA Asynchronous Networking or Split-IP** provides a wide-bandwidth one-way data path over the satellite. This path is combined with an IP-network reach-back channel/RBC to provide GBS customers with increased bandwidth for downloading through the network connection.)*

Francisco does not explicitly disclose the limitation recited as "encapsulating a serial data stream of encrypted data into Internet Protocol (IP) packets;"

However, in the same field of endeavor Watson on paragraph 0022, referring to figure 1 and 2 discloses that at figure 2, step 220, content is queued at content media server 120c. Content media server 120c, shows on figure 1 aggregates the content to be transmitted and formats the content for the selected transmission network. Formatting content for transmission over the selected network involves choosing a means **to encapsulate** the content for the selected network topology while addressing security as well as other factors. For example, a movie file stored in MPEG format may be packaged for DTH satellite broadcast by encapsulating the file in a DVB compliant spooler file which may then be routed through a transport multiplexor that applies real-time broadcast

conditional access. **Packaging for transmission over a broadband network such as a DSL network may include encapsulation into a TCP/IP packet stream which is encrypted and copy-protected and routed through a secure ATM switch fabric to the viewer device using secure sockets. And this meets the limitation recited as “*encapsulating a serial data stream of encrypted data into Internet Protocol (IP) packets.*”**

Furthermore on the same paragraph 0022, referring to figure 1 and 2, Watson discloses that once the content has been formatted, content media server 120c/ shown on figure 1 transmits **the resulting data stream to the appropriate transmission network.** At step 222, a notification of the transmission characteristics of the content is transmitted from content decision server 120b to viewer device 101 over broadband network 122. Transmission characteristics of the content may include, for example, the time of transmission, the selected transmission network, network specific information such as the DTH transponder frequency and polarity, stream ID's and encryption/decryption codes, or any other information helpful or necessary for transmission.

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art, at the time the invention was made, to combine the feature of ***encapsulating a serial data stream of encrypted data into Internet Protocol (IP) packets*** as per teachings of Watson into the method as taught by **Francisco** for the purpose packaging packet stream for transmission over a broadband network such as DSL network .[See Watson, the same paragraph 0022.]

The combination of Francisco and Watson does not explicitly disclose the limitation recited as “a data router, being adapted to receive any of

voice-over-IP (VoIP), voice-over- frame relay (VoFR), and voice-over-ATM (VoATM) communications;”

However, in the same field of endeavor Gross on paragraph 0041 and figure 1-2, ref. Num “20-24” and “4” discloses the above feature.

Furthermore, Gross on paragraph 0045 discloses how the uplink and downlink traffic is encrypted/decrypted.

It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art, at the time the invention was made, to combine the feature such as data router being adapted to receive any of voice-over-IP (VoIP), voice-over- frame relay (VoFR), and voice-over-ATM (VoATM) communications as per teachings of **Gross** into the method as taught by the combination of **Francisco and Watson** for the purpose providing greater flexibility as to the type of voice communication device that can be connected to an encryption device through use of a router that can receive any of a variety of protocols, i.e., voice-over-IP (VoIP), voice-over-frame relay (VoFR), and voice-over-ATM (VoATM).

7. As per claims 2 and 13 the combination of Francisco, Watson and Gross discloses a method as applied to claims above. Furthermore, Francisco discloses the method wherein: said public network is an Internet. [See, page 704, “figure 1, Network Streaming services, “Internet service” and see also on page 706, paragraph 2.3 and on paragraph 2.31, see, the last paragraph] *(For instance on page 706, paragraph 2.3, it has been disclosed that GBS provides classified and unclassified streaming IP services. The COP and IP multicast Services provide the ability to stream certain source data through an IP Network to the GBS system and then to GBS end Users. The internet/Public IP network service/AKA Asynchronous Networking or Split-IP provides a wide-bandwidth one-way data path over the satellite. This path is combined with an IP-*

network reach-back channel/RBC to provide GBS customers with increased bandwidth for downloading through the network connection.)

8. **As per claims 3, 14, 23 and 25 the combination of Francisco, Watson and Gross** discloses a method as applied to claims above. Furthermore, **Francisco** discloses the method wherein said IP packets are transmitted via an ISDN router. *[See on page 706, paragraph 2.3.1, second paragraph, see, the "RS router"] (the IP routing is accomplished using the EIGRP protocol for interior gateway routing and the Border Gateway protocol-4 BGB-4 as the exterior gateway protocol. The local RS router with have a BGP session...)*

9. **As per claims 4 and 15 the combination of Francisco, Watson and Gross** discloses a method as applied to claims above. Furthermore, **Francisco** discloses the method wherein said IP packets are transmitted over a satellite terminal. *[on Page 706, paragraph 2.3] (The internet/Public IP network service/ AKA Asynchronous Networking or Split-IP provides a wide-bandwidth one-way data path over the satellite.)*

10. **As per claims 5-7 ,16-18 and 26 the combination of, Watson and Gross** discloses a method as applied to claims above. Furthermore, **Francisco** discloses the method, further comprising: encrypting data using a Type 1 encryption unit. *[page 705, paragraph 2.1.2] (On page 705, paragraph 2.1.2, the transmission of serial data stream encrypted with a standard Type I serial encryptor before or prior to entering the GBS system has been disclosed.*

11. **As per claims 8 and 19 the combination of Francisco, Watson and Gross** discloses a method as applied to claims above. Furthermore, **Francisco** discloses the method, wherein said serial data stream of encrypted data comprises: Voice over IP (VOIP) data. *[See on page 706, paragraph 2.3.2, last line, "streaming content/ audio stream")*

12. As per claims 9 and 20 the combination of Francisco, Watson and Gross discloses a method as applied to claims above. Furthermore, Francisco discloses the method, wherein: said serial data stream is a synchronous serial data stream.
[See page 705, paragraph 2.1.2, see "synchronous"]

13. As per claims 10-11, 21-22 and 27 the combination of Francisco, Watson and Gross discloses a method as applied to claims above. Furthermore, Francisco discloses the method, wherein: said synchronous serial data stream is an RS-530 data stream. *[See page 705, paragraph 2.1.2, see "RS-530"]*

Conclusion

14. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. (See PTO-Form 892).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Samson B Lemma whose telephone number is 571-272-3806. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:00 am---4:30 pm).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, BARRON JR GILBERTO can be reached on 571-272-3799. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-873-8300.

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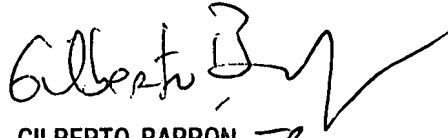
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